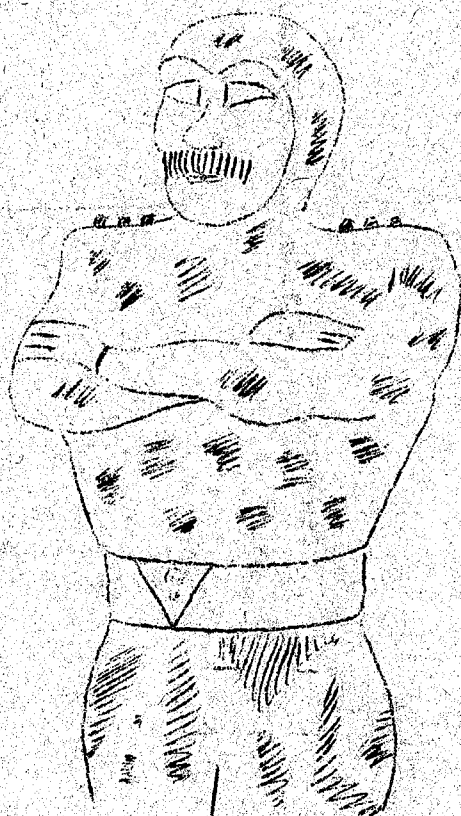


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EDITORS NOTE:

This edition of WAURIOR has been compiled under difficult circumstances - mainly the fact that the units printing resources packed it in. Thanks to the Chief we have just made it to print albeit a condensed version!

WAUR WAS FOUNDED ON APRIL 22, 1949 AND WAS INITIALLY CALLED THE
PERTH UNIVERSITY REGIMENT.

BY AUGUST IT WAS RE-TITLED WESTERN AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITY REGIMENT (WAUR)

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITY REGIMENT 1985 - NORTHAM

COMMANDING OFFICERS NOTES- LTCOL P L SEWELL

1. As participating members of WAUR I believe you must know what is happening in your unit and why.
2. In DEC 83 on taking command of WAUR, my appreciation of the unit situation revealed several factors. These were;
 - a. For various intra and extra unit reasons the NCO structure had run down and was in danger of being unable to achieve its primary aim - to provide military training to undergraduates;
 - b. The standard of training was low and therefore 'retention' was low, aggravating the NCO deficiency.
3. Despite the natural desire to panic and quit, in conjunction with the ARA Cadre and many of the ARES SNCO/OFFR a plan was formulated and is currently being implemented. The plan is in three phases;
 - a. PHASE 1. - Flesh out the unit NCO structure,
 - b. PHASE 2. - Flesh out the unit admin (trade) elements,
 - c. PHASE 3. - Increase the units effective strength with trained soldiers.
4. Currently we stand mid-way between phase 1 and phase 2 and being adventurous/optimistic, I am about to reinforce a success by starting phase 3 concurrently.
5. The plan above has dangerous consequences, but must be attempted. It has already, and will in the future, force individuals into career streaming options which they do not want or are not yet trained for. This is part of being a soldier.
6. A consequence which I am very aware of is that because of the lack of 'experienced' soldiers, promotions may be premature, and the NCO training cannot stop on promotion. To balance this, firstly, you (the soldier) must accept that you NCO/OFFR are also training and therefore will make mistakes which will affect you. Second, I must ensure that the formal and 'on the job training' (OJT) is continued.
7. During 1985 the unit is to take in 120 new recruits (May & Jul intakes). These people will need to be trained and made to feel at home in the unit. To this end they need to know what I expect of them and of you. My philosophy of soldiering is WORK HARD AND PLAY HARD (in that order).
8. My plan for the unit is adventurous, and, if effective, will be rewarding for all ranks, but it can only work if EVERY individual does his job to the best of his/her ability.

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PROFILE - LTCOL P L SEWELL (CO WAUR)

ENLISTED -	6 JAN 59	Conscripted NS	DEC 76	2IC 11IRC RWAR
	MAR 59	TFR WAUR (NS obligation)	JAN 78	PROM T/MAJ
	1960	(VSS) - very slack soldier!		OC B COY 16 RWA
	FEB 61	PROM CPL	JAN 79	OC 28 IRC RWAR
	MAR 62	Reduced to LCPL (on circumstantial evidence - my opinion not COS!)	JAN 81	INSTR (TAC 3) R
	APR 62	PROM Cpl	OCT 82	TAC 5
	FEB 63	PROM SGT	SEP 83	PROM LTCOL (INS: RCSC)
	JAN 66	PL COMD (SGT)	5 DEC 83	CO WAUR.
	MAR 66	Commissioned 2LT		
	MAR 68	TFR 16 RWAR (anti Tank, Mortar pl)		
	JUL 72	PROM T/CAPT		
	MAR 74	OC SPT COY 16 RWAR (CAPT)		
	75/76	INSTR OCTU		

ADJUTANTS REPORT CAMP
NORTHAM 1985.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY 'SOMETIMES JUST MAKING IT THROUGH THE DAY IS AN ACHIEVEMENT'

Members who suffered or survived one or more of the four NCO promotion courses or the exercise phases of Officer Course 5 have had reason to take heart from the above quote.

Congratulations to all successful candidates and carry your newfound responsibilities of rank and/or knowledge with pride.

As ARA Cadre leader, I don't get the opportunity to get involved with as many of the unit members and courses as I would wish and see my main role on Camps as Adjutant to the CO and a DS with the Officer Course.

Camp '85 has been a most successful camp, with good levels of training being achieved across the unit. Members should take particular note of the CO's plan for the future of the unit, and make every effort to keep in touch with their COY and Unit through the chain of command (section/platoon commander first). NCOs and Offrs should take the facilities of WAUR MORE in 1985 to assist them in their duties, and I take this opportunity to ask NCOs to call on the RSM, and Offr to call on me, when visiting the depot during the week, to assist timely passage of information.

A further point for all members to note is that the DEFENCE FORCE DISCIPLINE ACT (DFDA) becomes effective on 27 MAR 85. All members should be aware that they are responsible to the provisions of this act and it behoves all to attend the unit training on your rights and responsibilities under the act, to be conducted in late FEB early MAR 85.

79% of our present effective strength are presently studying or have graduated from a tertiary institution, so I wish all those members a successful academic year.

CAPT J EDWARDS
ADJT

PROFILE - CAPT J EDWARDS, ADJT

Born in the fifties!
Partially educated at Rockingham Senior High School (by WO2 Redclift)
Educated in more detail at RMC Duntroon, graduated DEC79 with a BA (MIL studies) majoring in Economics.
Posted to 1RAR TOWNSVILLE during the formation of the ODF
Employed as Rifle Pl Comd, Coy 2IC and Weapons Pl (SFMG) Comd.
Posted as Aide-de-Camp to COMD 1 DIV at Enoggera, Brisbane in NOV 82
Attended WAUR Camp 84 prior to posting to the Unit in Mar 84.

PROMOTIONS - TRANSFERS - AWARDS

AWARDS - congratulations to the following members for their awards for long and valued service to the Army over many years:

SGT SCHRUGIN - RFM AND FIRST CLASP
MAJ DEAN - RFM
WO2 PHILLIPS - RFM
WO2 REDCLIFT - RFM
WO2 BRODY - DFSM
WO1 BALDWIN - DFSM (wanders around mumbling something about a clasp for a long he hasn't got yet!)

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PROMOTIONS

TO CPL

PTE PELEZAR
LAMBE
PTE HOGG
PTE OSBORN
LCPL BARON
LCPL GOODE
LCPL RAINFORD
LCPL MILNE

TO SGT

CPL STEIKE
T/SGT THOMPSON

TO LCPL

Pte TUBMAN
PTE BAZELEY
PTE MCKAY
PTE MEYS
PTE BOYD
PTE TILBY
PTE KARGOTICH
PTE FRANCIS
PTE JENKIN
PTE FLACK
PTE ESMOND
PTE PETERION
PTE BOUCHER
PTE BARNES

TRANSFERS

INWARDS

2LT ATKINSON FROM 5 TRG GP
2LT VAN BLOMNESTEIN FROM 5 TRG GP
SGT HUTCHINSON FROM 11 IRC
LT GALLIOTT FROM RCSC 5 TRG GP

OUTWARDS

WO2 COLE TO 16 RWAR
WO2 OAKES TO 16 RWAR
WO2 LEARY TO 5 TRG GP
PTE HUNT TO 16 RWAR
MAJ DEAN TO 16 RWAR

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Q. Why does Bush who walks hate subbies?
A. Because they can't spell ~~phantom~~ ~~phantom~~ ~~phantom~~ Mr. Walker.

Q. Wot does the Phanom use Subbies for?
A. Delivering 'monkey mail'.

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A woman working at the local hotel in Northam was reported to have a pair of 98" (.) (.) 's. She was employed as the floor show - apparently she crawled out onto the stage and tried to stand up.

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After the OFFR/NCO formal dining in night at Annual Camp, at which all participants had a good time, Bush Who Walks ran 5 KM to save a damsel in distress.

After successfully saving the damsel, Bush Who Walks visited the Orderly Room where after exchanging pleasantries with a largely transient population became Bush Who Sleeps.

His action (or should we say lack of action!) was caught for the record book by CAPT VENTHAM. If you were lucky a copy of the report could be available from CAPT VENTHAM.

(info supplied by orderly room staff)

EXTRACT FROM 'ILLUSTRATED NOTES FOR VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS, AUSTRALIA 1942'

"The following report made by the CO of a German Infantry Battalion at Tobruk serves to illustrate the necessity for sound individual training and the advantages which a high standard of such training confers on the successful conduct of the 'defensive battle':-

' The Australians are the men our troops have had opposite them in battle; they are extraordinarily tough fighters. The German is more active in the attack, the enemy stakes his life in the defence and fights to the last and with extreme keenness.

Our men, usually easy going and unsuspecting, fall easily into his traps especially as a result of his experiences in the closing stages of the Western Campaign.

The Australian is unquestionable superior to the German soldier:-

1. In the use of individual weapons, especially as snipers.
2. In the use of ground and camouflage.
3. In his gift of observation and of drawing the correct conclusions from these observations.
4. In every move of taking off by surprise;
 - immediate taking of alternative positions after a fire fight even with heavy infantry weapons.
 - daily changes of the forward sentry positions.
 - positions held sometimes strongly and sometimes weakly and possibly only feigning to hold.
 - firing from guns of different troops and different calibres at the same time.
 - forward Batteries firing from an artificial dust cloud made by MT.
 - allowing isolated German soldiers to come right up to his position and then firing on them.

Enemy snipers have outstanding results. They shoot at anything they recognise. Several NCOs of the Battalion have been shot through the head with the first shot by making observations in the front line. Protruding sights in the gun directors have been shot off, observation slits and loopholes have been fired on and hit as soon as they were seen to be in action/use (that is when the light background became dark) for which reason loopholes must always be kept plugged, with a wooden block, taken off for use, so that it always shows dark.

The enemy shoots very accurately with his high angle infantry weapons (mortars). He usually uses this in conjunction with a sniper or MG. The greatest mistake in such cases is to leave cover and try to withdraw over open ground.

What is necessary is to dig several alternative positions connected by crawl trenches."

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PROFILE MAJOR L.A. STEWART (2IC WAUR)

ENLISTED - 28NOV55 (Perth)

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POSTED - 1955-69 3RAR (active service in MALAYA, MALAYASIA, BORNEO, SVN)
- 1969-71 PNGVR (Port Moresby)
- 1971 COMMISSIONED (A&T) November
- 1972-74 SC 'A' (PS) HQ TAS COMD (6MD)
- 1974-75 QM 27RSAR
- 1975-77 QM 1ORSAR
- 1977-79 QM WAUR
- 1979-80 QM SASR
- 1981- AO DSU PERTH (resigned permanent commission 1 DEC 81)
Commenced ARes 2 DEC 81 - posted to 16RWAR
- 1982 OC HQ COY WAUR (18 FEB 82)
- 1983 OC TRG COY WAUR (2 FEB 83)
- 1984 2IC WAUR

SUMMARY: 26 years ARA. 14 years 3RAR (Pte RFN to CSM B COY) 3 years ARes.

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CAMP REPORT
A COY WAUR

OC MAJ DEAN
2IC CAPT VENTHAM
A/2IC LT R VICKERS
CSM WO2 COLE

CQMS WO2 BETTES
1PL COMD 2LT DREW
1PL SGT SGT O'NEILL
2PL COMD 2LT P ATKINSON
2PL SGT SGT STEIKE
3PL COMD 2LT SPEED
3PL SGT CPL CRAFTER

Company strength was 101 officers and ORs. Training was conducted at both IET and AET levels. 1PL comprised the AET wing with 2 & 3 Pls undertaking IET training.

Camp consisted of three main segments; IET/AET STAND TRAINING, RANGE PRACTICE AND A FIELD EXERCISE.

AET

In all 16 soldiers completed their AET training. The high point of the Camp was the range practice at which soldiers completed the GPMG M60 Advanced Application Practice; this involved fire and movement with the gun culminating in firing from the hip at 75m.

The platoon was sent to Bindoon on the second Tuesday of camp for a period of four days during which they were used as reinforcements for the Officers/Sergeants course exercise.. This provided them with an advanced level of training in platoon tactics in all phases of war. Whilst the Offr/Sgts course students were conducting TEWTS the members of the AET platoon received instruction in individual skills such as construction of improvised stretchers bush water stills and field craft.

IET

Soldiers participated in a range practice at which they fired the M16 and GPMG M60 Introductory Practices, and SLR transitional Practice. Exercise 'Hard Thrust' which was run for 3 days, concluding with a dawn withdrawal on Saturday morning was the most enjoyable part of camp. The exercise consisted of 2 phases, first was a move to Bindoon and then continuation training of section tactics prior to deploying into the Company AO. After section training the Company moved into its AO and conducted fighting and ambush patrols. Although many Musorians were killed the enemy were able to launch a Regimental attack causing us to withdraw.

NEW OC

Capt Peter Boxsell, soon to be promoted to Major, will be taking command of A coy with effect 4 FEB 85.

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'22 this is 22A - Get Stuffed over' (or classic comments from Subject 2)

"THIS IS THE M49A1 TRIP MINE" - SGT THOMPSON

"CAN YOU HELP HIM, IS HE RIGHT, DOWN FOR TEN" - 2LT JANSEN

"WHEN YOU HAVE BEEN IN AS LONG AS I HAVE AND HAVE THREE STIPES, YOU CAN SAY THINGS LIKE THAT" - SGT LEPPARD

" I WEAR BASEBALL HATS, I WEAR CAMS, I WEAR SUEDE BOOTS, I BREAK RULES" - SGT LEPPARD

" YOU PEOPLE JUST DON'T PAY ATTENTION" J HUEMES TO LT MCCARTHY ON HIS INATTENTION DURING ORDERS.

DAVIDSON OUT BUSH - " GODDAM, WHERE IS THE COKE MACHINE"

SMALL ARMS REPLACEMENT PROGRAMME (SARP)

Presently, the Defence Forces are equipped with six weapons that will be replaced by only two at the end of the programme. These are:-

- a. 5.56mm M16A1;
- b. 7.62mm L1A1, SLR;
- c. 7.62mm L2A1;
- d. 7.62mm L4A1, BREN;
- e. 7.62mm GPMG M60; and
- f. 9mm F1 SMG.

These weapons have all been in service for up to 26 years and there are certain problems with them in that three different calibres are used, the age of weapons has decreased the reliability while costs and maintenance requirements have increased.

The recommended new family of weapons is;

- a. Individual Weapon (IW) - the 5.56mm IW will replace the current 7.62mm L1A1 and 5.56mm M16A1 (a short version will replace the 9mm SMG and some 9mm pistols).
- b. Light Support Weapon (LSW) - the 5.56mm LSW (a light machine gun) will replace the 7.62mm M60 at section level as well as the 7.62mm Bren and LR
- c. General Support Machine Gun (GSMG) - the GSMG will replace the present M6

The GSMG contract has now been finalised and purchase made.

The LSW will commence main production in 1988 and around 4,000 will be purchased.

The IW will commence production in 1988 and around 81,000 will be procured.

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B R I G H T E R C R I C K E T ! ! ! !

An interesting game took place here today when the Hon. John Everhard brought over a team of Old Bastardians to meet a team of society ladies captained by Mrs. Wearwell.

The proceeds were to have been augmented by various lotteries, but the Chief Constable ordered all draws off.

After tossing was done with, it was seen that the men were going in first and the ladies assumed their proper positions on the ground, the ladies captain was in slips and this made it difficult to force matters. Mr. Hampton however succeeded at last and cutting and pulling steadily - he and Mr. Cox put up a fine stand.

The latter appeared to have dug himself in and was blocking steadily, resisting all Miss Pratt's efforts to draw him out. Unfortunately, when trying to pull squarely to leg, he completely missed his stroke and out came his middle stump.

Mr. Woodcock followed and was out at the crease twenty minutes displaying great patience - then there was a sharp appeal from Miss Conduct and the Umpires finger went up.

Some slackness was apparent in the field when Miss Carriage dropped a sitter right in front of the pavilion and Miss Wantcock managed to get her hand to a hard on but failed to hold it.

Miss R. Soverhead drew frequent applause showing her ability behind the stumps, but in trying to take a hot one she turned a complete somersault. The men were all out by lunchtime and on resuming it was noticed that A. Testicle was dropped and not merely suspended as rumoured.

Lord Faughskin was in his usual position at cover point and the first two ladies - Phyl Chambers and Poppy Turner - opened with great vigour. Cox was tried and he succeeded in bowling a maiden over. He kept a beautiful length but his balls were inclined to bump, much to the discomfort of the ladies.

Little Miss Virgo Intacto was loudly cheered when she faced John Everhardus, but she had not had time to settle down before the wily John sent up a long one that appeared to break in her crease - there was an ominous click and a groan was heard as she walked back to the pavilion.

There were four more ladies to come and with doubtful weather threatening, it looked as though they would have their backs to the wall.

Great things were expected of Major O'Toole, but after he had been at the nursery end for half an hour the ladies treated him with great respect and he failed to come off.

Although he was keeping his balls low Miss O'Phelia Pratt hooked one, much to the delight of the crowd. There was some faulty judgement somewhere when Miss Philpot shouted "I'm coming," and then there were cries of "No" and "wait" but in her excitement she started and was run out. She afterwards said, "Mike Hunt was too quick for me."

Miss Hyam Ready then faced the onslaught, but being over-anxious, she got her leg in front of a straight one. "I had no time to open out", she said afterwards.

The match was a draw and Lady Comewell said she would like a return match with the ladies on top.

A QUICKIE FROM THE R S M!

MILITARY TRADITIONS - COLOURS AND THEIR MEANING.

Colours have not been carried in action since 26 January, 1881, when the old 58th Foot (later 2 Bn The Northamptonshire Regiment) carried them at Laing's Nek, during the Boer War in South Africa. As they apparently have no practical value it may be thought that there is a case for their abolition. But colours are the symbol of the spirit of the Regiment, for on them are borne the battle honours and badges granted to the Regiment in commemoration of some of the gallant deeds performed by members of the Regiment from the time it was raised. This association of colours with heroic deeds has caused them to be regarded with veneration. In a sense they are the epitome of the history of the Regiment. The full history of a regiment is contained in written records but as these are not portable in a convenient form, the colours, are something in the nature of a silken history the sight of which creates a feeling of pride in soldiers and ex-soldiers.

'a moth eaten rag on a worm eaten pole,
It does not look likely to stir a man's soul,
'tis the deeds that were done
'neath the moth eaten rag,
when the pole was a staff, and the rag was a flag'

The current policy generally in respect of the emblazonment of Battle Honours on Queens and Regimental Colours is that Battle Honours awarded prior to the Great War and those won in the Great War, to a maximum of 10, are emblazoned on the Regimental colours while Battle and Theatre Honours won during the Second World War, to a maximum of 1 are emblazoned on the Queens Colours.

THE QUEEN'S COLOUR:

The Queen's Colour of every battalion is the Great Union, the imperial colour of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in which the Cross of St George is combined with the crosses of St Andrew and St Patrick, on a blue field, as approved by Her Late Majesty Queen Victoria in 1900. It bears in the centre a crimson circle surmounted by the Imperial Crown, upon the circle is inscribed in gold the gazetted title and in addition if desired the Territorial Title of the Battalion.

THE REGIMENTAL COLOUR:

The base colour for Royal Regiments is dark blue (e.g. RWAR) and for all other Regiments dark green (e.g. WAUR). The design for the badge or crest on these colours is normally the same as the headress badge, but this is not obligatory.

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SEEN ON THE NOTICE BOARD AT RHQ

" OUR MISSION IS TO ANALYSE THE SITUATION AND THROUGH FORESIGHT AND PLANNING ---
AVOID OR CIRCUMVENT PROBLEMS BEFORE THEY ARISE.
SHOULD THE UNEXPECTED OCCUR THEN OUR AIM IS TO SWIFTLY AND EFFICIENTLY
ARRIVE AT A WORKABLE SOLUTION ---
HOWEVER, WHEN YOUR'RE UP TO YOUR ARSE IN CROCODILES, IT IS DIFFICULT TO
REMEMBER THAT YOUR INITIAL OBJECTIVE WAS TO DRAIN THE SWAMP"

The new bride went to the chemist shop and asked for a bottle of men's deodorant.
"The Ball type?" asked the Chemist.
"Oh, no", she replied. "It's for under his arms".

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Overheard during an orders group on Officer Cadet course 5 as Patrol Commander was briefing Section Commander who was nodding off in the Bindoon sun;
PC: "Am I keeping you awake Section Commander?"
SC: "Only just, sir".

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MORE CAMP DRIBBLE

TRG COY ODE (A LA DADS ARMY)

"Who do you think you are kidding Mr Baldwin,
If you think we're on the run,
We are the course who will stop your little game,
we are the course who will make you think again.
So who do think you are kidding Mr Baldwin,
if you think we're on the run.

CDS is on the road when we're all bushed and done,
but we'll come running, fit and cunning,
the boys from Subject one.

So who do you think you are kidding Mr Baldwin etc."

THE ONLY ONE FOR ME (Tune - Yellow Rose of Texas)

THERE'S A MIGHTY LITTLE UNIT
IN THIS GREAT BIG COUNTRY
THATS TUCKED AWAY IN PERTH
BUT ITS THERE FOR ALL TO SEE

IT WORKS SO HARD FOR ALL THE YEAR
WITH VERY LITTLE HELP
THE SOLDIERS THERE ARE REALLY GREAT
THEY'RE FROM THE TOP SHELF

THEY MAY TALK ABOUT RWAR
AND ALL THE IRCs
BUT, UNIVERSITY REGIMENT
IS THE BEST IN THIS ARMY

WE BATTLE ON WITHOUT MUCH FUSS
THROUGH EVERY TRAINING DAY
WE DO IT FOR AUSTRALIA
FOR VERY LITTLE PAY

ITS A UNIT WITH A DIFFERENCE
THATS WORKS THROUGH ALL THE HEAT
AND WHEN THE ENEMY DO COME
ITS US THEY HAVE TO BEAT

THEY MAY TALK ABOUT RWAR
AND ALL THE IRCs
BUT UNIVERSITY REGIMENT
IS THE BEST IN THIS ARMY

MANY SOLDIERS HAVE COME AND GONE
WHO NOW ARE AT THE TOP
THEY STARTED HERE SO LONG AGO
AND DONT KNOW WHEN TO STOP

FOR WE KNOW ITS REALLY WORTH IT
AND WILL SOLDIER ON FOR YEARS
BUT COME THE TIME FOR LEAVING
IT TENDS TO BRING A TEAR

THEY MAY TALK ABOUT RWAR
AND ALL THE IRCs
BUT UNIVERSITY REGIMENT
IS THE BEST IN THIS ARMY
YES UNIVERSITY REGIMENT
IS THE ONLY ONE FOR ME (repeat)

W02 Bob Oakes